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U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

Grant Agreement

GRANT NUMBER (FAIN): 00J99201 MODIFICATION NUMBER: 0 DATE OF AWARD PROGRAM CODE: EQ 07/02/2015 TYPE OF ACTION MAILING DATE New 07/09/2015 **PAYMENT METHOD:** ACH#

RECIPIENT TYPE:

Not for Profit

Send Payment Request to:

Las Vegas Finance Center FAX # 702-798-2423

Seattle Tilth Association

RECIPIENT:

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PROJECT TITLE AND DESCRIPTION

South King County Just Garden Project

The South King County Just Garden project will result in the construction of at least 90 garden beds for low income residential complexes, low income families, and organizations serving low income individuals and families in South King County communities with low access to "critical opportunity structures such as high quality education, a safe environment, sustainable employment, political empowerment and outlets for wealth building."

TOTAL BUDGET PERIOD COST **BUDGET PERIOD PROJECT PERIOD TOTAL PROJECT PERIOD COST** 07/01/2015 - 06/30/2016 07/01/2015 - 06/30/2016 \$59,972.00 \$59,972.00

NOTICE OF AWARD

Based on your Application dated 01/09/2015 including all modifications and amendments, the United States acting by and through the US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) hereby awards \$29,931. EPA agrees to cost-share 100.00% of all approved budget period costs incurred, up to and not exceeding total federal funding of \$29,931. Recipient's signature is not required on this agreement. The recipient demonstrates its commitment to carry out this award by either: 1) drawing down funds within 21 days after the EPA award or amendment mailing date; or 2) not filing a notice of disagreement with the award terms and conditions within 21 days after the EPA award or amendment mailing date. If the recipient disagrees with the terms and conditions specified in this award, the authorized representative of the recipient must furnish a notice of disagreement to the EPA Award Official within 21 days after the EPA award or amendment mailing date. In case of disagreement, and until the disagreement is resolved, the recipient should not draw down on the funds provided by this award/amendment, and any costs incurred by the recipient are at its own risk. This agreement is subject to applicable EPA regulatory and statutory provisions, all terms and conditions of this agreement and any attachments.

ISSUING OFFICE (GRANTS MANAGEMENT OFFICE)	AWARD APPROVAL OFFICE
ORGANIZATION / ADDRESS	ORGANIZATION / ADDRESS
	U.S. EPA, Region 10 Office of Ecosystems Tribal and Public Affairs 1200 Sixth Avenue, Suite 900 Seattle, WA 98101

THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA BY THE U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

Digital signature applied by EPA Award Official Tony Fournier - Acting Manager - Grants and Interagency Agreements Unit

DATE 07/02/2015

EPA Funding Information

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FUNDS	FORMER AWARD	THIS ACTION	AMENDED TOTAL
EPA Amount This Action	\$	\$ 29,931	\$ 29,931
EPA In-Kind Amount	\$	\$	\$ 0
Unexpended Prior Year Balance	\$	\$	\$ 0
Other Federal Funds	\$	\$	\$ 0
Recipient Contribution	\$	\$ 30,041	\$ 30,041
State Contribution	\$	\$	\$ 0
Local Contribution	\$	\$	\$ 0
Other Contribution	\$	\$	\$ 0
Allowable Project Cost	\$0	\$ 59,972	\$ 59,972

Assistance Program (CFDA)	Statutory Authority	Regulatory Authority
66.604 - Environmental Justice Small Grants Program for Community Research	Clean Water Act: Sec. 104(b)(3) FIFRA: Sec. 20(a)	2 CFR 200 2 CFR 1500 and 40 CFR 33

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Site Name	Req No	FY	Approp. Code	Budget Organization	PRC	Object Class	Site/Project	Cost Organization	
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Budget Summary Page

Table A - Object Class Category (Non-construction)	Total Approved Allowable Budget Period Cost
1. Personnel	\$33,114
2. Fringe Benefits	\$12,750
3. Travel	\$1,754
4. Equipment	\$0
5. Supplies	\$5,245
6. Contractual	\$0
7. Construction	\$0
8. Other	\$7,109
9. Total Direct Charges	\$59,972
10. Indirect Costs: % Base	\$0
11. Total (Share: Recipient <u>0.00</u> % Federal <u>100.00</u> %.)	\$59,972
12. Total Approved Assistance Amount	\$29,931
13. Program Income	\$0
14. Total EPA Amount Awarded This Action	\$29,931
15. Total EPA Amount Awarded To Date	\$29,931

Administrative Conditions

1. General Terms and Conditions

The recipient agrees to comply with the current EPA general terms and conditions available at: http://www.epa.gov/ogd/tc/general to applicable as recipients dec 26 2014.pdf. These terms and conditions are in addition to the assurances and certifications made as part of the award and terms, conditions or restrictions cited below.

The EPA repository for the general terms and conditions by year can be found at: http://www.epa.gov/ogd/tc.htm.

2. Cost Principles/Indirect Costs Not Included (All Organizations)

The cost principles of 2 CFR 200 Subpart E are applicable to this award. Since there are no indirect costs included in the assistance budget, they are not allowable under this Assistance Agreement.

3. UTILIZATION OF SMALL, MINORITY AND WOMEN'S BUSINESS ENTERPRISES (MBE/WBE)

GENERAL COMPLIANCE, 40 CFR, Part 33

The recipient agrees to comply with the requirements of EPA's Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Program for procurement activities under assistance agreements, contained in 40 CFR, Part 33.

REPORTING PROVISION

MBE/WBE reporting is required annually for assistance agreements where there are funds budgeted for procuring construction, equipment, services and supplies, including funds budgeted for direct procurement by the recipient or procurement under subawards or loans in the "Other" category, that exceed the threshold amount of \$150,000, including amendments and/or modifications.

Based on EPA's review of the planned budget, this award does <u>not</u> meet the condition above and is <u>not</u> subject to the reporting requirements of the Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Program. However, if during the performance of the award the total of all funds expended for direct procurement by the recipient and procurement under subwards or loans in the "Other" category exceeds \$150,000, annual reports will be required in accordance with the reporting paragraph below and you are required to notify your grant specialist for additional instructions.

The recipient also agrees to request prior approval from EPA for procurements that may activate DBE Program reporting requirements.

This provision represents an approved deviation from the MBE/WBE reporting requirements as described in 40 CFR, Part 33, Section 33.502; however, the other requirements outlined in 40 CFR Part 33 remain in effect, including the Good Faith Efforts requirements as described in 40 CFR Part 33 Subpart C and Fair Share Objectives negotiation as described in 40 CFR Part 33 Subpart D and explained below.

MBE/WBE REPORTING, 40 CFR, Part 33, Subpart E

When required, MBE/WBE reports must be submitted annually. The recipient agrees to complete and submit a "MBE/WBE Utilization Under Federal Grants, Cooperative Agreements and Interagency Agreements" report (EPA Form 5700-52A) on an annual basis. All procurement actions are reportable, not just that portion which exceeds \$150,000.

When completing the annual report, recipients are instructed to check the box titled "annual" in section 1B of the form. For the final report, recipients are instructed to check the box indicated for the "last report" of

the project in section 1B of the form. Annual reports are due by October 30th of each year. Final reports are due by October 30th or 90 days after the end of the project period, whichever comes first.

The reporting requirement is based on total procurements. Recipients with expended and/or budgeted funds for procurement are required to report annually whether the planned procurements take place during the reporting period or not. If no budgeted procurements take place during the reporting period, the recipient should check the box in section 5B when completing the form.

The current EPA Form 5700-52A can be found at the EPA Office of Small Business Program's Home Page at http://www.epa.gov/osbp/dbe_reporting.htm

SIX GOOD FAITH EFFORTS, 40 CFR, Part 33, Subpart C

Pursuant to 40 CFR, Section 33.301, the recipient agrees to make the following good faith efforts whenever procuring construction, equipment, services and supplies under an EPA financial assistance agreement, and to require that sub-recipients, loan recipients, and prime contractors also comply. Records documenting compliance with the six good faith efforts shall be retained:

- (a) Ensure DBEs are made aware of contracting opportunities to the fullest extent practicable through outreach and recruitment activities. For Indian Tribal, State and Local and Government recipients, this will include placing DBEs on solicitation lists and soliciting them whenever they are potential sources.
- (b) Make information on forthcoming opportunities available to DBEs and arrange time frames for contracts and establish delivery schedules, where the requirements permit, in a way that encourages and facilitates participation by DBEs in the competitive process. This includes, whenever possible, posting solicitations for bids or proposals for a minimum of 30 calendar days before the bid or proposal closing date.
- (c) Consider in the contracting process whether firms competing for large contracts could subcontract with DBEs. For Indian Tribal, State and local Government recipients, this will include dividing total requirements when economically feasible into smaller tasks or quantities to permit maximum participation by DBEs in the competitive process.
- (d) Encourage contracting with a consortium of DBEs when a contract is too large for one of these firms to handle individually.
- (e) Use the services and assistance of the SBA and the Minority Business Development Agency of the Department of Commerce.
- (f) If the prime contractor awards subcontracts, require the prime contractor to take the steps in paragraphs (a) through (e) of this section.

CONTRACT ADMINISTRATION PROVISIONS, 40 CFR, Section 33.302

The recipient agrees to comply with the contract administration provisions of 40 CFR, Section 33.302.

BIDDERS LIST, 40 CFR, Section 33.501(b) and (c)

Recipients of a Continuing Environmental Program Grant or other annual reporting grant, agree to create and maintain a bidders list. Recipients of an EPA financial assistance agreement to capitalize a revolving loan fund also agree to require entities receiving identified loans to create and maintain a bidders list if the recipient of the loan is subject to, or chooses to follow, competitive bidding requirements. Please see 40 CFR, Section 33.501 (b) and (c) for specific requirements and exemptions.

1. For Grant Awards \$250,000 or Less

This assistance agreement is a Technical Assistance Grant (TAG); or the award amount is \$250,000 or less; or the total dollar amount of all of the recipient's financial assistance agreements from EPA in the current Federal fiscal year is \$250,000 or less. Therefore, the recipient of this assistance agreement is exempt from the fair share objective requirements of 40 CFR, Part 33, Subpart D, and is not required to negotiate fair share objectives/goals for the utilization of MBE/WBEs in its procurements.

2. For Recipients Accepting Goals

A recipient must negotiate with the appropriate EPA award official, or his/her designee, fair share objectives for MBE and WBE participation in procurement under the financial assistance agreements.

In accordance with 40 CFR, Section 33.411 some recipients may be exempt from the fair share objectives requirements as described in 40 CFR, Part 33, Subpart D. Recipients should work with their DBE coordinator, if they think their organization may qualify for an exemption.

Accepting the Fair Share Objectives/Goals of Another Recipient

The dollar amount of this assistance agreement, or the total dollar amount of all of the recipient's financial assistance agreements in the current federal fiscal year from EPA is \$250,000, or more. The recipient accepts the applicable MBE/WBE fair share objectives/goals negotiated with EPA. The Region 10 fair share objectives/goals can be found: http://www.epa.gov/osbp/pdfs/r10 fair share goals.pdf.

By signing this financial assistance agreement, the recipient is accepting the fair share objectives/goals and attests to the fact that it is purchasing the same or similar construction, supplies, services and equipment, in the same or similar relevant geographic buying market.

Negotiating Fair Share Objectives/Goals, 40 CFR, Section 33.404

The recipient has the option to negotiate its own MBE/WBE fair share objectives/goals. If the recipient wishes to negotiate its own MBE/WBE fair share objectives/goals, the recipient agrees to submit proposed MBE/WBE objectives/goals based on an availability analysis, or disparity study, of qualified MBEs and WBEs in their relevant geographic buying market for construction, services, supplies and equipment.

The submission of proposed fair share goals with the supporting analysis or disparity study means that the recipient is **not** accepting the fair share objectives/goals of another recipient. The recipient agrees to submit proposed fair share objectives/goals, together with the supporting availability analysis or disparity study, to the Regional MBE/WBE Coordinator within 120 days of its acceptance of the financial assistance award. EPA will respond to the proposed fair share objective/goals within 30 days of receiving the submission. If proposed fair share objective/goals are not received within the 120 day time frame, the recipient may not expend its EPA funds for procurements until the proposed fair share objective/goals are submitted.

3. For Recipients with Established Goals

The recipient must negotiate with the appropriate EPA award official, or his/her designee, fair share objectives for MBE and WBE participation in procurement under the financial assistance agreements.

In accordance with 40 CFR, Section 33.411 some recipients may be exempt from the fair share objectives requirements described in 40 CFR, Part 33, Subpart D. Recipients should work with their DBE coordinator, if they think their organization may qualify for an exemption.

Current Fair Share Objective/Goal

The dollar amount of this assistance agreement or the total dollar amount of all of the recipient's financial assistance agreements in the current federal fiscal year from EPA is \$250,000, or more. The Region 10 fair share objectives/goals can be found: http://www.epa.gov/osbp/pdfs/r10 fair share goals.pdf.

Negotiating Fair Share Objectives/Goals

In accordance with 40 CFR, Part 33, Subpart D, established goals/objectives remain in effect for three fiscal years unless there are significant changes to the data supporting the fair share objectives. The recipient is required to follow requirements as outlined in 40 CFR Part 33, Subpart D when renegotiating the fair share objectives/goals.

Region 10 DBE Coordinator

Greg Luchey at (206) 553-2967 or email: <u>Luchey.Greg@epa.gov</u>. The coordinator can answer any MBE/WBE reporting questions you may have. MBE/WBE reports should be sent to the EPA Region 10, Grants and Interagency Agreements Unit, 1200 Sixth Avenue, Suite 900, OMP-173, Seattle, WA 98101 or FAX to (206) 553-4957.

4. Recipient Contribution

There is no statutory requirement for recipient contribution. However, in accordance with the application dated **01/09/2015**, the recipient agrees to contribute to the project. Reduction to this amount must be negotiated with the EPA Project Officer.

Programmatic Conditions

1. Semi-annual Performance Reports

The recipient shall submit one copy of a short written summary report for each six month period throughout the duration of the project period. The semi-annual report should include an overview of the activities that have taken place during the six month period. Refer to 40 CFR 30.51(d) for guidance on information that should be included in the reports. Reports are due to the EPA Project Officer 30 days after the six month period and are based on the start date of the project period shown in the assistance agreement.

If the project period ends at a six month period, a final report will be accepted in lieu of that semi-annual report.

In addition to the semi-annual performance reports, the recipient shall immediately notify the EPA Project Officer of developments that have a significant impact on the award-supported activities. Also, notification shall be given in the case of problems, delays, or adverse conditions which materially impair the ability to meet the objectives of the award. This notification shall include a statement of the action taken or contemplated, and any assistance needed to resolve the situation.

2. Final Performance Report

Within 90 days after the end of the project period the recipient agrees to submit **two** copies of the final project report to the EPA Project Officer. The report must clearly address the items below:

- a. An abstract or overview of the project in terms of its overall process and outcomes . Indicate which eligible activities and or EPA criteria were addressed and how these were fulfilled .
- b. Include information on the target audience, such as (local residents, community activists, businesses, etc.), and demographics of the target audience.
- c. What findings or information were gained that could contribute to addressing environmental injustices .

- d. Description of evaluation measures and results. Include evaluation tools where applicable.
- e. Plans for dissemination of project results in terms of method of dissemination and target audience (i.e., conference presentations, educator networks, community forums, etc.).
- f. Were any problems encountered that prohibited the completion of the project goals or objectives? If ves, how were they overcome?
- g. Provide an overview of expenditures and budget. What changes were made to the budget, if any? Were expenditures made as planned?
- h. What benefits were gained from this program?
- i. How could EPA have been more effective in assisting you with this project? For example, were EPA's priorities and directives in the solicitation notice clearly stated?

After review of the final report, the EPA Project Officer may request additional information from the recipient. Once the EPA Project Officer receives an acceptable final report, the Project Officer will keep one copy and send a copy to a national clearing house of environmental justice materials. In addition to the report, the recipient should also supply **two** copies to EPA of all tangible final products that were created for the purposes of the funded project (i.e., videos, research findings, curriculum, presentations, etc.). If an exhibit, slide show, or other item was created that is too large and/or expensive to duplicate, photos or transcripts of the product may be substituted.

3. Use of Data - Intangible Property

The recipient agrees to comply with the provisions of 40 CFR 30.36 or 40 CFR 31.34, as applicable.

4. Acknowledgment of Sponsorship

EPA encourages recipients to include an acknowledgment of the sponsoring program, when appropriate, on fliers, agendas, and at meetings, etc. A suggested statement is: "This project is sponsored through or in part by an Environmental Justice Grant from the Environmental Protection Agency under assistance agreement <u>EQ-</u> **00J99201-0** to <u>Seattle Tilth".</u>

5. Quality Assurance Requirements (2 CFR 1500.11)

Acceptable Quality Assurance documentation must be submitted to the EPA Project Officer within 30 days of the acceptance of this agreement or another date as negotiated with the EPA Project Officer. No work involving direct measurements or data generation, environmental modeling, compilation of data from literature or electronic media, and data supporting the design, construction, and operation of environmental technology shall be initiated under this project until the EPA Project Officer, in concert with the EPA Quality Assurance Manager, has approved the quality assurance document. Additional information on these requirements can be found at the EPA Office of Grants and Debarment website: http://www.epa.gov/ogd/grants/assurance.htm.

Instructions to Submit Quality Assurance Documents for Review

Grantees must submit the quality assurance project plan (QAPP) to his/her EPA Project Officer and the EPA Project Officer forwards the new/revised QAPP to "R10 QA Support" via internal email group.

Region 10 Quality Assurance Team Contact: Don Matheny at (206) 553-2599 or email: Matheny.Don@epa.gov.

- 6. Unless the event(s) and all of its components (i.e., receptions, banquets and other activities that take place after normal business hours) are described in the approved workplan, the recipient agrees to obtain prior approval from EPA for the use of grant funds for light refreshments and/or meals served at meetings, conferences, training workshops, and outreach activities (events). The recipient must send requests for approval to the EPA Project Officer and include:
 - An estimated budget and description for the light refreshments, meals, and/or beverages to be served at the event(s);
 - (2) A description of the purpose, agenda, location, length and timing for the event.
 - (3) An estimated number of participants in the event and a description of their roles.

Recipients may address questions about whether costs for light refreshments, and meals for events are allowable to the recipient's EPA Project Officer. However, the Agency Award Official or Grant Management Officer will make final determinations on allowability. Agency policy prohibits the use of EPA funds for receptions, banquets and similar activities that take place after normal business hours unless the recipient has provided a justification that has been expressly approved by EPA 's Award Official or Grants Management Officer.

Note: U.S. General Services Administration regulations define light refreshments for morning, afternoon or evening breaks to include, but not be limited to, coffee, tea, milk, juice, soft drinks, donuts, bagels, fruit, pretzels, cookies, chips, or muffins. (41 CFR 301-74.11)

7. Competency of Organizations Generating and/or Using Environmental Measurement Data

In accordance with Agency Policy Directive Number FEM-2012-02, Policy to Assure the Competency of Organizations Generating Environmental Measurement Data under Agency-Funded Assistance Agreements, recipient shall maintain competency for the duration of the project period of this agreement and this will be documented during the annual reporting process. A copy of the Policy is available online at http://www.epa.gov/fem/lab_comp.htm or a copy may also be requested by contacting the EPA Project Officer for this award.

Federal Assistance Agreement Funds Up To \$200,000

Recipient agrees that if the total federal funding obligated on this award exceeds \$200,000 (resulting from subsequent amendments to this agreement) and will involve the use or generation of environmental data it will (unless it has otherwise done so) demonstrate competency prior to carrying out any activities involving the generation or use of environmental data under this agreement.

Federal Assistance Agreement Funds Exceed or Expect to Exceed \$200,000

Recipient agrees, by entering into this agreement, that it has demonstrated competency prior to award, or alternatively, where a pre-award demonstration of competency is not practicable. Recipient agrees to submit documentation and demonstrate competency prior to carrying out any activities under the award involving the generation or use of environmental data.

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